

The City of Hopewell, Virginia

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MEDIA RELEASE

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Criminal Investigations Unit - (804) 541-2284

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**Investigation into evening shooting underway **

[Hopewell, VA] – On February 18, 2020, at approximately 8:20 P.M., officers responded to the 800 block of West Poythress Street after hearing several shots fired in the area. As officers were canvassing the area, Police Telecommunications received information that a male victim had come into John Randolph Medical Center seeking treatment with a non-life threatening gunshot wound injury. The victim is a 29 year old, B/M from the City of Hopewell.

Preliminary investigation indicates the victim was inside a vehicle near the intersection of North 12th Avenue and West Poythress Street when unknown individual(s) began shooting at the vehicle. Specifics regarding the shooting and victim's identity is not being released at this time as Criminal Investigation Unit (CIU) detectives continue to actively investigate the incident. No other persons were injured as a result of the shooting.

The Hopewell Police Department is requesting that any person(s) who may have any information to provide and been in the area to contact Lead Detective Keith Krueger of the Hopewell Criminal Investigations Unit at (804) 541-2284. Persons with information on this crime and who wish to remain anonymous may contact the Hopewell Prince George Crimesolvers hotline in Hopewell at (804) 541-2202 or provide their tip using the P3tips mobile app.

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